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SUBJECT: AMERICAN FIRM AWARDED OFFSHORE PLATFORM CONTRACT

1. IN SUPPORT OF ITS BOMBAY HIGH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, OIL AND NATURAL GAS COMMISSION (ONGC), DEHRA DUN, HAS DECIDED TO PURCHASE FOUR OIL DRILLING/PRODUCTION PLATFORMS FROM MCDERMOTT J. RAY AND CO., INC., NEW ORLEANS, LA 70160. A FORMAL CONTRACT TO THIS EFFECT WILL BE SIGNED SHORTLY.

2. THE CONTRACT, VALUED AT DOLS 40-45 MILLION, WILL INVOLVE SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF PLATFORMS ON A TURNKEY BASIS BY MAY, 1976. IN ADDITION, MCDERMOTT WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR INSTALLATION OF SINGLE BUOY MOORING SYSTEMS, ORDER FOR WHICH HAS BEEN SEPARATELY PLACED WITH A DUTCH FIRM.

3. MCDORMOTT WILL FABRICATE AND SUPPLY PLATFORMS FROM ITS DUBAI FACILITIES. ACCORDING TO THE FIRM'S DUBAI REPRESENTATIVES, MOST OF THE EQUIPMENT REQUIRED ABOARD THE PLATFORMS WILL BE IMPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES. STRUCTURAL STEEL FOR THE FABRICATION OF THE PLATFORMS WILL BE OBTAINED FROM JAPANESE STEEL MILLS.

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4. WE WILL BE POUCHING COMPLETED COMPREHENSIVE MARKET SURVEY

ON OIL FIELD MACHINERY TO YOU SOMETIME IN NEXT TWO WEEKS.

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